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Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56 and 1.97(b), applicant brings to the attention of the Examiner the documents on the attached listing. This Information Disclosure Statement is being filed together with the above-referenced application.

Copies of the listed documents are attached.

Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner consider the listed documents and indicate that they were considered by making appropriate notations on the attached form.

The following is a concise statement of relevance of the non-English language documents.

1. Japanese Patent Publication No. 2002-523555 corresponds to WO 00/11117. An English-language Abstract of WO 00/11117 is attached.

2. Japanese Patent Publication No. 2002-511516 corresponds to WO 99/52993. An English-language Abstract of WO 99/52993 is attached.

3. Japanese Patent Publication No. 2002-501551 corresponds to WO 98/06794. An English-language Abstract of WO 98/06794 is attached.

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Respectfully submitted,

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